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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDIP, PLO, CG
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATION

REF: A) STATE 91578; B) 75 KINSHASA 4292; C) 75 KINSHASA A-115

1. NEITHER THE PLO NOR ANY OF ITS COMPONENT ELEMENTS
OR OTHER PALESTINIAN ORGANIZATIONS IS REPRESENTED IN ZAIRE
(REF A). IN THE MIDDLE OF 1975, PRESIDENT MOBUTU AGREED
IN PRINCIPLE TO THE OPENING OF A PLO OFFICE IN THIS
COUNTRY (REF B # C). THE PLO DID NOT, HOWEVER,
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE AUTHORIZATION.

2. MOBUTU'S FLIRTATION WITH THE RADICAL ARAB STATES
DID NOT BRING FORTH THE ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE HE HAD
ANTICIPATED. SINCE 1975, MOREOVER, HE HAS TAKEN A MUCH MORE
CONSERVATIVE FOREIGN POLICY STANCE.

MORE RECENTLY ALSO, GOZ HAS MADE CONSIDERABLE EFFORTS TO
STRENGTHEN RELATIONS WITH AND OBTAIN SUPPORT FROM MORE
MODERATE ARAB STATES MUCH AS SAUDI ARABIA. ATTITUDE OF SUCH
MODERATE ARABS WOULD BE IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION IN ANY GOZ
DECISIONS CONCERNING ANY FUTURE RELATIONSHIP WITH PLO.

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